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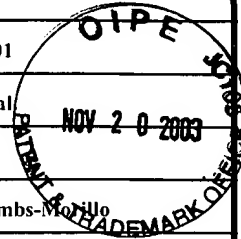
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Application Number	09/876,233
Filing Date	June 8, 2001
First Named Inventor	HEINZ et al
Art Unit	1742
Examiner Name	Janelle Combs-Morillo
Attorney Docket Number	APV30268C



**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114**

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- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☒ Enclosed

- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iv. ☒ Other Petition for Three Months Extension of Time

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2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
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<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)</b>				Docket No. <b>APV30268C</b>	
Applicant(s): <b>Alfred Ludwig HEINZ et al.</b>					
Serial No. <b>09/876,233</b>	Filing Date <b>June 8, 2001</b>	Examiner <b>J. Combs-Morillo</b>		Group Art Unit <b>1742</b>	
Invention: <b>DAMAGE TOLERANT ALUMNIUM ALLOY PRODUCT AND METHOD OF ITS MANUFACTURE</b>					
<u>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>					
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
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